THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Landed Cost of import of Sulphadiazine

1869. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3080 given in Rajya Sabha on 19th August, 1993 and state:

(a) what was the landed cost of import of Sulphadiazine from 1990-91 onwards yearwise and whether it is a fact that it is lower than Rs. 512 per kg.

(b) the reasons for which the formulation prices were based on Rs. 511.79 per kg. plus sales tax etc. when procurement price was only Rs. 450 per kg.

(c) who was responsible for giving benefit to formulators and what steps have been taken to fix responsibility;

(d) what is the present position and what remedial action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Bulk of the requirements of Sulphadiazine is being imported. As per available information, the landed cost of import of Sulphadiazine was Rs. 392.94/kg, Rs. 511.79/kg and Rs. 535.49/kg during 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93 respectively.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

Implementation of Kelkar Committee Report

1870. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

SHRI RAINI RANJAN SAHU:

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of Kelkar Committee Report, since when its implementation has been held in abeyance and under whose orders;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this has been done to help the multinationals who import new drugs at fancy prices; and

(c) what are the names of the drugs having turn-over of more than 50 lakhs which have not been included under price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) Recommendations of Kelkar Committee have been implemented through Drug (Price Control) Order, 1987. However, representations received thereafter on inclusion/exclusion of drugs and the criteria for that purpose, formed part of the review of Drug Policy, 1986 which has since been discussed in the House on 18th, 19th and 23rd August, 1993.